

## DEMOCRATIC CONVENTION AT ROSWELL.

**Delegates Will Gather There to Select Delegates to Denver Convention and to Nominate A Candidate for Delegate to Congress.**

In a running comment and report of the committee meeting, the Santa Fe correspondent of the Albuquerque Journal says:

"Roswell successfully landed the convention, which becomes very important in view of the fact that there will be but one. In taking the convention to the Pecos Valley the democrats are showing what is considered to be very good judgment. If Mr. Larrazolo is to be the candidate it is understood the Pecos Valley will need some placating for they are said over there to have expressed a strong desire for H. B. Fergusson, of Albuquerque, and for other candidates who, it is held, would poll a heavier portion of the vote in the eastern country that Larrazolo is thought to command.

Then, too, the republican convention at Silver City, in naming the delegates to the national convention, passed over the Pecos Valley with a mere alternate, when the valley republicans had a candidate for a seat on the delegation. No republican convention will be held on the eastern side of the territory, and the democrats, it is understood, propose to go into their own stronghold in an effort to make it as strong as possible. It is also understood that Larrazolo in the event of his nomination, proposes to spend a lot of his time in the Pecos Valley so that the people may meet him and get acquainted.

Aside from the fixing of the joint convention date and the event of approval of Mr. Larrazolo's candidacy by the committee, the most important feature of the meeting was the passage of a resolution in which the committee flatly declares for Bryan for president. There was serious objection in the committee to the passage of the resolution, it is understood, not because of any opposition to Bryan's candidacy, but because of that time-worn democratic principle that the committee isn't the party and has no right to put the party on record. The meeting was for the most part entirely harmonious, and the members profess to feel an encouragement over the situation which certainly should point to a hot campaign. Indeed several of the committeemen are already figuring out majorities.

The committee met at 2 p. m. at the office of Judge N. B. Laughlin with twenty members as follows:

A. A. Jones, San Miguel, chairman; W. B. Walton, Grant secretary; J. G. Fitch, Socorro; Meliton Torres, Socorro; H. B. Fergusson and Summers Burkhardt, Bernalillo; J. W. Sullivan, Sandoval; J. F. Lasater, Torrance; O. A. Larrazolo, W. P. Bunker and E. C. de Baca, San Miguel; Eugenio Romero, Mora; J. W. Prude, Otero; Samuel Eldodt, Romero Martinez, Rio Arriba; John W. Hewitt, Lincoln; Marcelino Garcia, A. B. Renahan and N. B. Laughlin, Santa Fe.

After a lengthy discussion by the members of the committee it was decided to have a long campaign, by which means the committee is sanguine that the party will carry the territory by a handsome majority.

The convention to nominate delegates to the national convention will also nominate the candidate for delegate to congress.

The following resolution was passed by the committee:

"Be it resolved, by the democratic central committee of New Mexico that we hereby express our confidence in William Jennings Bryan and in his great ability as the leader of the democratic party; and we favor his nomination for president of the United States at the democratic national convention to be held in Denver, Colorado, July 7, 1908."

There will be 225 delegates in the territorial convention at Roswell, apportioned to the various counties as follows:

Bernalillo, 20; Chaves, 11; Colfax, 14; Dona Ana, 9; Eddy, 9; Grant, 12; Guadalupe, 8; Lincoln, 5; Luna, 3; Mora, 12; McKinley, 2; Otero, 7; Quay, 6; Rio Arriba, 16; Roosevelt, 9; Sandoval, 2; San Juan, 5; San Miguel, 27; Santa Fe, 12; Sierra, 4; Socorro, 10; Taos, 8; Torrance, 3; Union, 9; Valencia, 2.

### "Wild Cat Jack"

Homer J. Miller, a commercial traveler from Chicago selling chinaware and crockery was in Carlsbad Saturday and Sunday and was kept busy looking up his old time friends and renewing acquaintances. He is a metropolitan appearing young man thirty two years of age and not until he made himself known only a few recognized in him "Wild Cat Jack," the tenderfoot Chicago cow-puncher that worked for the Hat outfit in '98, '99 and 1900. He was truly a tenderfoot when he arrived and did not know anything more about a steer than a hog does the scriptures. However, when he left he was a thorough and competent cow-puncher of the breeziest western type and he had also demonstrated that he was able to take care of himself in a physical way, as one or two can testify that he "cleanned" when they attempted to josh him too strong.

When he went to work for the Hat outfit he plainly told the boys that he did not know anything about cow-punching and wanted their help and suggestions and most of the boys did everything in their power to help him out.

When Miller returned to Chicago he had on his cow-boy costume and was a characteristic puncher and the joke is told on him that when he went to the family residence his father kept him changed in the dog house for eight days before he would let him into the house.

Mr. Miller has two photographs of himself that he prizes highly one when he first came, showing him in his metropolitan togs and the other taken when he left in his cow-boy costume.

He has been in twenty two different states since he left Carlsbad and he was greatly surprised at the great change and the way Carlsbad has grown and expanded.

Mr. Miller says that the most pleasant time of his life was when he was a cow-puncher here and he looks back with pride in a reminiscent mood when he thinks of his pleasant associations and the good time he enjoyed. Having traveled extensively has brought him into contact with a great many and different kinds of people and he is of the opinion that the people of the Southwest are among the best on earth.

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